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THE Republican way to get rich is to pay two dollars for what might just as well be bought for one dollar.

REPUBLICAN organs are complaining about Mr. Cleveland's letters. It should be remembered that he is not writing them to please the Republicans.

EX-SPEAKER REED is evidently not familiar with the Republican press of the West, or he would not have said that Republicans lack power of vituperation.

THE Clark faction of Texas Democrats completed their State ticket, and the regulars renominated Governor Hogg by 697 to 108 1/2 for Clark, and 8 1/2 scattering.

If indications count for anything one thing is already certain about the November election; there will be a good working majority of Democrats elected to the next House.

THE Illinois Republican campaign committee has made it hot for Candidate Filer by sending him to the Southern part of the State in August. The Democrats will make it hot for him later on.

THE regular weekly announcement that Whitehead Reid had made a satisfactory settlement with the typographical union was on schedule time. It is beginning to get just a little tiresome.

THE English liberals still call Gladstone the "grand old man," and some of them have lately developed a disgraceful propensity to speak of the Queen as the "crazy old woman."

THE Toledo (Ohio) Sunday Journal prints the LEDGER's article on "The Starting Judge" and calls Mexico a "horsey" town. We enter a protest. Mexico is a horse town—not a "horsey" town.

WHEAT Doble makes the next effort to have Nancy Hanks, 2:07 1/2, lower her record he should bring her to Mexico's kite track, which is faster course than the one she went over in Chicago.

THE friends of Gov. R. A. Campbell, of St. Louis, are urging Gov. Francis to appoint him to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Judge J. C. Normile, of the St. Louis Court of Criminal Correction. Gov. Campbell would fill the position acceptably.

THE farmers of Audrain county are especially invited to assist in making the October Fair just what it should be. Extraordinary liberal premiums in the Agricultural department are offered. We sincerely trust that the farmers will appreciate this move and prepare creditable displays.

THE proposed Democratic "rain-bow chasing" in the west struck editor Joseph Pulitzer as having at least \$10,000 worth of reality about it, as his check for that amount demonstrates. Editors Taylor, of the Boston Globe, and Singler, of the Philadelphia Record, each took \$1,000 worth of stock in the scheme.

THE Beaver Dam correspondent of the LEDGER is exactly correct in his statement that "more manufacturers in Mexico mean better prices to the farmers for their produce." The correspondent truthfully adds: "This is a critical period in the history of manufacturing interests in Mexico and we should all work, without compensation, to secure and keep them."

EFFORTS eventually find out everything, if they do not die too young, so it is not surprising that one of them has discovered that "the chief use of a picnic is not for enjoyment of nature but for observation of human nature." He should have stated whether he was the observer or the observed, in order to enable one to judge the true value of his discovery.

THE Perry Enterprise so this week issued a highly colored illustrated edition containing a review of that live town's institutions and business interests. The pictures of all the leading citizens are given, and Perry's churches and schools are represented. Perry is a good town, has energetic business men and can boast of an enterprising weekly paper as any town of its size in Missouri.

HAPPY MEDIUM stock is far above par since Nancy Hanks busted the world's trotting record. There are three valuable sons of the grand old sire of speed owned in this city, viz: Prince Medium by Foote Bros., and Llewellyn and Promontory, the property of J. R. Baker. Riley Medium, (pacer) who went a mile in Sedalia this week in 2:13 1/4, is another worthy son of Happy Medium.

THE LEDGER is in receipt of a circular from Willard C. Hall, Labor Commissioner of Missouri, showing the value and shipments of the surplus commodities of the different counties in the State during the year of 1891. Audrain's total value is placed at \$2,570,957; amount received per capita, \$116.47; population, 22,047. The grand total of the State is \$128,001,737 value, amount received per capita \$58.51, population 2,143,455.

WE are glad to be able to announce that the Baptist church of this city is going to erect a fine new modern church, the cost of which will be at least \$12,000. The building committee consists of J. A. Guthrie, Wm. Harper, A. G. Turner, J. F. Griffie and C. A. Witherspoon. The action of the church in favor of this much needed improvement is unanimous and we trust that other churches in Mexico which need new church buildings will be imbued with the same spirit of enterprise shown by our Baptist brethren. The question is being agitated by several other denominations and we are sure they are moving in the right direction.

IT BEGINS to look as though we would soon have to maintain a standing army in every State in the Union. Troops are at Buffalo, N. Y.; Homestead, Pa., and at the mines in Tennessee all at the same time. The labor problem, unless it is solved in some way within the next few years, will likely cost much property and many lives. These troubles appear to grow worse and worse instead of better. The McKinley bill promised to take away the cause for any such troubles, but the tree is best known by its fruits.

THE Columbia Herald will soon begin the erection of a magnificent building to be used exclusively as a printing-house and when finished it will be one of the most complete printing establishments in the State. The Herald is Missouri's oldest newspaper to typographical appearance, its columns are alive with all kinds of excellent news matter and nothing but first-class work ever leaves the job-printing department.

WHAT'S the use of making a fuss because Attorney-General Miller has followed a long line of Republican precedents and had his son put on Uncle Sam's payroll by a brother member of the cabinet in order that he might draw \$2,000 a year while studying law? Such things will be common as long as the Republicans are continued in power.

OUR Republican friends are not claiming New York half as loudly as they were a short time ago; and yet, their chances for carrying the State are quite as good now as they have been at any time since Harrison's renomination. Those of them who are well-informed have known from the first that they had no chance at all.

IT is announced by the New London Record that Hon. Richard Dalton, of Ralls county, will remove to St. Louis shortly and enter upon the practice of law. The Record regrets his departure, but says he "will always have the best wishes of our people wherever he may go."

THE report is probably untrue that since Mr. Harrison's arrival at Loom Lake the water has become too cold to bathe in. It is true, however, that Tom Reed and Boss Platt have considered the locality too cold for their personal comfort.

THE Republicans regularly break up the solid South once in every four years—on paper—but the electoral votes of the States south of Mason and Dixon's line continue to be cast for the Democratic ticket, and there is no reason to expect any change in the programme for this year.

IT would require a more powerful microscope than at present exists to find the souls of those who abuse Mr. Cleveland for having written a letter of sympathy to a female relative of King, the Tennessee murderer.

MANY a man fondly imagines that it is his good shape that causes people to turn and stare at him in the streets, when it is only some chalk marks which a mischievous urchin has put on his back.

WHITEHEAD REID is coming west. It is pleasant to observe that the young man remembers the advice of the distinguished journalist under whom he served on the staff of the Tribune.

CONSERVATIVE Republicans still insist that the fiscal bill is not an issue; but the President and the Republican National committee have spoken differently.

THE Democratic educational campaign of '90 was a corker, and no excuse is necessary for continuing the same educational methods this year.

NOW, it is in order for Robert Bonner to buy Nancy Hanks and Hal Pointer and put them away snugly with the other record breakers.

DEMOCRATIC harmony is disturbing all Republican calculations now, and it will make them entirely unnecessary next November.

FROM the preparations for the State campaign one would suppose that the Republicans considered Maine a doubtful State.

THANK goodness there will be no more primaries in Audrain county this year.

THOMAS Woods has gone to the Indian Territory where he will go in to the cattle business extensively.

MEXICO IN ITS CHILDHOOD.
A Pioneer Tells Several Incidents of an Interesting Character—John H. Henderson's Treachery to Jeff Jones.

Capt. Silas L. Hickerson, one of the pioneer citizens of Mexico, called on the LEDGER to-day and recounted many reminiscences of the early days of this progressive city. Capt. Hickerson for several years past has been conducting a hotel at Eureka Springs, Ark., but recently sold out his business there and he and Mrs. Hickerson are now visiting with old friends in Callaway. During the war the Captain was a strong Southern sympathizer and shouldered arms for the "lost cause," and we believe his admiration for the South is as great now as it was then. Capt. Hickerson was in Col. Joseph C. Porter's command, and when Col. Porter was in this vicinity the Capt. interceded in behalf of Mexico and persuaded Porter not to make an attack upon the town. Porter and his command came as near to Mexico as the bridge over the stream near the old Kirtley place, just west of the city. Hickerson had many friends in town when he knew would suffer if the attack was made upon the Federal soldiers garrisoned here, and after a great deal of persuasion upon the part of the Captain his superior officer acceded to his request.

In the early history of Mexico Capt. Hickerson kept a hotel on the north side of the Public Square. The building was a two-story frame and stood about where the Kennan business house is located. When the war came on and while Hickerson was in the army the Federal soldiers under command of Gen. Schofield took possession of the hotel building and when they evacuated it set it on fire and it was destroyed.

Byron S. Hite, who was burned to death by a gasolene explosion at Kansas City a few days ago, was a brother-in-law to Capt. Hickerson, and they were in the service together, Hite being a lieutenant in Nat. Craig's company, of Callaway.

Our friends who remember the ugly scars he bore on his face and forehead. These were received by him in 1863 at Colley Hollow, Palaski county, Mo. In a hot fight there Hite was captured by the Federals, who placed him on a stump and fired a dozen or more volleys at him. Hite's arm was broken in two places by bullets and several musket balls struck him in the face, grazing his forehead and nose. He fell apparently dead and a soldier was about to run a bayonet through his prostrate body when the officer in command made the private desist. After some hours Hite was taken to a house near by where he was sheltered until his recovery, when he again joined his command. Capt. Hickerson and Mr. Hite married sisters, the Misses Allen, of Callaway county.

Capt. Hickerson was an admirer of the late lamented Col. Jeff Jones, of Callaway, but thinks Col. Jones did an unwise and unthoughtful act when he made the compromise with Gen. Jno. B. Henderson, whereby there were to be no hostilities between the companies of the two men. Capt. Hickerson thinks Col. Jones ought to have cleaned Henderson out. Col. Jones was afterward taken a prisoner by Gen. Henderson and incarcerated in the old McDowell College prison at Eighth and Gratiot streets, St. Louis, but was finally released under heavy bond, which circumstance all the older citizens of Audrain and Callaway well remember.

Several Bloody Battles.
KNOXVILLE, Tenn., August 18.—The crisis has been reached at Coal City in the revolt of the free miners against the convict labor system. A garrison of less than 250 men was besieged by a mob of several thousands and deadly fighting has occurred. The garrison was in command of Captain Anderson, whose capture and lynching by the mob has been reported. Every man capable of bearing arms in Tennessee has been ordered to the front. News is difficult to get, as the mob has control of all the railroads and every telegraph wire has been cut. Many men are reported killed by the three battles which have taken place. To-day has been the most exciting in Knoxville since the dark days of the Civil War.

School Begins September 6th.
The Public School Board met last night in special session, all members present. The resignation of Miss Anna Spence was accepted. The Board ordered that school begin on Tuesday, September 6th. The Secretary was directed to notify patrons of change in school books. All old books may be exchanged for new ones prescribed by law if done by August 27th. By this exchange one half the cost of the new books is saved. The exchange may be made with either of the dealers in this city.

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Editorial Correspondence of the Ledger.
TORONTO, Aug. 16th.—Toronto is a beautiful city, the "Queen City of the West" and the "Garden City of the World," etc., etc., just like the Americans boom their towns. One thing I notice about all towns in the Dominion is that yards are well looked after and residences are kept in good repair.

In the city of Toronto there are at present about 50,000 public and private buildings, and the population is placed at 210,000. The city of Toronto has advantages over most cities and municipalities, owning large tracts of freehold property in the best business centres, for which it receives a large annual revenue from lease-holders. The yearly city income and expenditure is over \$1,000,000, as an average. The assessed value of property this year is over \$150,000,000.

Toronto is celebrated for its aquatic sports, the renowned scullers, Hanlan and O'Connor, having given an impetus to this class of sport, and made Toronto Bay famous throughout the world. The bay on the city side is one long line of public and private boat-houses; of the former, the most prominent are the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, (Town House) Toronto Rowing Club, Argonaut Rowing Club, Canoe Club, Bayside Rowing Club, Leslieville Rowing Club; and of the latter, one almost unbroken line. During the boating season, in the afternoon and evening, the bay is the scene of a grand carnival, which, in winter, is varied by ice boating—a most exciting sport.

A visit to the Island is appreciated by all. At the eastern extremity will be found the Wiman Baths, among the finest on the continent; in the centre is the Island Park and the Island Club House of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, while at the western end is the "Hotel Hanlan," built by the world-renowned carman, Edward Hanlan. At Hanlan's Point there is a switchback, a steam merry-go-round, and various other amusements. The whole place is brilliantly illuminated at night by the electric light, and the various bands of the city and Dominion play alternate evenings in front of the hotel during the season.

Yesterday was a "civic holiday," a holiday just for Toronto. Each town has a holiday once a year besides the Dominion holiday, which is like our Thanksgiving day. At least 25,000 people went to the bicycle races. Over 15,000 wheels are owned in this city. Zimmerman, an American, carried off all the honors and as many of the prizes as he wanted.

Mitchell White, our young American, has found out that he should not hum or sing Yankee Doodle around the hotels and in the street cars and we presume, because it is forbidden fruit, he takes every opportunity to shoot off a line like "None can make the British run like Yankee Doodle Dandy." It is hard for him to understand how the people can live under the "Union Jack." Sometimes we think our younger people are the most patriotic. It is easier to get used to the flag than it is to the "chappies."

We have one or two duds or chappies in Mexico who have about as little sense and dress as extravagantly, but they never will be able to carry their canes in style. "They can't do it, don't you know." The duds here have a peculiar way of carrying their canes and the horses have their tails cut off. It's English, you know, and "don't hurt the horse," they say.

If it were not for the fact that we believe so strong in patronizing home institutions we would like to buy a lot of clothing. You have no idea how cheap the best of goods sell here. What a glorious thing it will be when the robber tariff is done away with. The poor man in the United States can never wear decent clothes without going hungry. Freedom of trade among the countries of North America would, we think, be some improvement. We are not going to write a tariff letter, but when you see the goods and prices before you it is a "condition and not a theory." It is a shame some of our good people are so credulous about some things and wont believe others. They want to believe certain things and believe them because they want to. Prejudice is as bad, if not worse, than ignorance in both politics and religion, if we may be allowed to mention both in the same breath. Men live and

die wrong when they know better. There are scores of good people in Audrain county who know better than to favor the robber tariff, but they do and will until they die, if they "die for it." You might convince a man that the ground work of his religion is wrong, but that a fundamental principle of his political plank is not wrong, never. The best way is to educate the young into the church and the Democratic party. If all young men who vote for the first time are for Democracy this time the country is saved and the farmer wont have to give an acre of corn for a pair of pants. Some say the tariff don't amount to as much as the silver question. That's all rot and stuff. You can pay your railroad fare from Mexico to Toronto and back out of the money you can save on clothing for your family in one year.

AT NIAGARA FALLS.
NIAGARA FALLS, Aug. 17.—One of the pleasantest trips in the world, outside of shooting the rapids of the St. Lawrence River, is from Toronto, Ontario, to Niagara Falls by steamer. We were accompanied by a band of the "Queen's Own" rifles and took dinner at Queen's Royal Niagara on the Lake and return to Toronto by special boat tonight.

The National Typothete is having a splendid meeting and is being royally entertained by the citizens of Toronto outside of business hours. We have drives, banquets, lake excursions, etc. There are about three hundred delegates present, most of them having their wives with them. The National Editorial Association is represented by Col. B. B. Herbert, of the National Journalist, Chicago; Col. Matt Parrott, State Reporter, Waterloo, Iowa, and R. M. White, LEDGER, Mexico, Mo.

The convention will be in session all week but in order to get home in time to vote for the next Congressman from the Ninth District of Missouri the writer will have to reach home Saturday.

R. M. W.
No New Depot Yet.
The following correspondence to the paper explains itself:
TO THE EDITOR OF THE LEDGER.
THE WARREN RAILROAD COMPANY, ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.—Replying to yours of the 13th, I am sorry I cannot offer you any encouragement at the present time as to the matter of new Union Depot at Mexico. It is something that will have to be acted upon jointly by the Chicago and Alton and ourselves and at such time as our resources will permit its consideration. As you doubtless are aware, our passenger trains the past six months have not been such as to warrant us in increasing amount of our expenditures.
Yours Truly,
CHAS. M. HAYS,
General Manager.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LEDGER.
THE CHICAGO & ALTON RAILROAD COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL., Aug. 17.—Dear Sir: Answering your favor of the 10th inst., regarding Union Depot at Mexico, I beg to say: I regret that I can give you very little encouragement, as the earnings of the railroads at this time do not warrant any extensive improvements in this direction. Our first duty is to get our road bed and equipment up to the highest standard before we can do much in any way of enlarging our depot facilities.
Yours Truly,
C. H. CHAPPELL,
General Manager.

Mrs. Mary King, mother of Mike King, who is in jail for burning the Mexico Fire Brick Works, returned to her home in Hannibal to-day. She came to Mexico to employ an attorney to defend her son. P. H. Cullen, we understand, has been employed.

Flying Jib, the phenomenal pacer, went a mile in a race at Chicago yesterday in 2:09 1/2. It is thought he can hold his own with Direct and Hal Pointer, the champions.

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SCHOOLS SOON TO OPEN.
With the idea of September Come the Pupils for Mexico's Several Institutions of Learning.

To the Editor of the Ledger.
MEXICO, Mo., August 18.—Next month our beautiful city will resound again with the glad voices of the girls who left us while the air was laden with the perfume of flowers and the sweet melody of song floated on every breeze and the closing scenes of that memorable session of Hardin College were being enacted that crowned that grand institution of learning with immortal honor. The massive building has looked lonely since its hundreds of lovely inmates—amid tears, smiles and sighs—bade good-by to Mexico and their college home. With joy and gladness will we welcome them back to the classic halls of Hardin and to the church and social circles of literary society of which they were such brilliant and fascinating factors. We have missed them most in our church and Sunday school services. How proud we will be to see the pretty navy blue uniforms again in the long line as they silently move through Mexico's streets to their different churches. We learn with pleasure and pride that new rooms are necessary to accommodate the increased incoming attendance and are glad that ample means are being prepared for their reception.

But our girls are not our only pride and pleasure. The Missouri Military Academy claims an undivided interest peculiar to itself. We are proud of its record and laurels won. It is an honor to Mexico and our city will receive with open doors our soldier boys in gray when they come marching home. We long again to hear the bugle call and reveille and see the bright faces that were aglow with enthusiasm and interest. We don't visit the drill ground now and the quarters look as lonely as Goldsmith's deserted village. But when the idea of September comes we'll hear the tramp! tramp! tramp! of elastic steps, the booming of the artillery, the clang of the sabre, and our churches and our Sunday schools will be full to overflowing again. From favorable reports that come, quarters will of necessity be enlarged, though now the long line of beautiful buildings with watch-towers, turrets and spires, drill rooms, dormitories, hallways from ground floor to fourth story all lighted by electricity and heated by steam seems ample to house a whole army of cadets eager for the fray on the field of science. Come on, boys; Mexico is ready to meet you, and Col. Fleet has everything as clean and bright as a new silver dollar out at the Academy.

But Mexico's crowning glory is her Public Schools. We just simply stand alone and can't be downed by any public school in America. It takes a small army of teachers to train this eighteen hundred tender hopefuls. But here lies Audrain's strength, influence and supremacy. We educate the masses and intelligence, in turn, breeds prosperity, contentment and sure success. It is a show worth traveling miles to see this school form lines preparatory to entering the school building. You can no more induce one of the boys or girls to speak, even in a whisper, after the line is formed than you could get one to drink poison. They are drilled to perfection. Order and system are seen everywhere. Our newly elected principal, Prof. Carrington, who has won such distinction as an educator all over Missouri, will walk into one of the best disciplined and brightest schools in the State when he comes to take charge in Mexico.

With these institutions in Mexico it is a wonder that we are what we are—the school center of our great State? Here's a hearty hand to all three and the thousands of students whose glad voices will soon greet our ears.
J. V. W.

For the Weather Prophet.
January and February of 1816 were warm and spring-like. March was cold and stormy. Vegetation had gotten well along in April, when real winter set in. Snow and sleet fell on seventeen different days in May. In June there was either frost or snow every night but three. The snow was five inches deep for several nights in succession in the interior of New York, and from 10 inches to 3 feet in Vermont and Maine. July was cold and frosty; ice formed as thick as window panes in every one of the New England States. August was still worse; ice formed nearly an inch in thickness and killed nearly everything green in the United States. In the spring of 1817 corn, which had been kept over from the crop of 1815, sold for from \$5 to \$10 a bushel, the buyers purchasing for seed. On May 18th, 1839, snow fell to the depth of a foot in Jamestown, Va., and was piled up in huge drifts in most of the Northern States. There was snow in many parts of Iowa and Illinois on May 11, 1878, and again as late as May 23, 1882. Farmers will find that it pays to patronize the Daniel Boone.

The Kansas City Star says: Mrs. Mary Luckie, who died at Mexico a few days ago at the age of 92, never knew any failure of eyesight and could read print with the naked eye at 92 years as readily as at 20.

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A TALKATIVE RUSSIAN JEW.
He Learns to Read English Out of Cross-Road Signs—A Murderer's Awful Punishment in Russia.

A Russian Jew was sitting on a truck at the depot to-day, waiting for a passenger train to Centralia. Becoming acquainted with the gentleman we found him an interesting conversationalist and he talked of his country. He said he arrived in New York from Russia three years ago and had resided in New Hampshire until recently when he located in this city temporarily. He gave his name as "Sholtz" and wrote it in English. The foreigner talked exceedingly well for his brief time in America; he is very intelligent and quick to conceive. "In my country," said the Jew, "I preached for a livelihood, but in America I travel and sell dry goods at the houses. I learned to read a little in this country by learning the alphabet off of cross-road signs; when a person would tell me the name of a town when I was traveling through the woods I would ask him what letter it begun with to spell it. He would tell me and when I saw the sign, say 'Mexico 10 miles,' I would learn how an 'M' looked. In this queer way I have learned to read a little and write like that (pointing to his name he had written, which was wrote better than the editor of this paper can write.) I have a family in Russia that I am going to bring to America, and, maybe, Mexico, Mo., to live." Sholtz had heard of the murder of Kerr, near Santa Fe, and he told the writer it was few misdeeds and murders that occur in Russia—the punishment is so severe. In Russia a murderer is sent to the mines in Siberia and chained to a wheelbarrow and made to work, and must sleep chained to the wheelbarrow. He is given a few cents a day, according to what he earns, and this he must buy bread with at a high price—maybe, if he works hard he can purchase half enough of the staff of life for a workingman. He is sent to the mines for 12 years, but rarely comes out alive. The Russian said he never heard of but one convict returning from Siberia. Sholtz carries a Bible with him printed in Russian language and he defies anyone to ask him a biblical question he could not explain. He also carries a Bible printed in our language which he is trying to learn to read from.

For Better Roads.
At the Road Convention at Chillicothe Wednesday a committee consisting of Mr. Davis of Henry, Mr. Massey of Green, Mr. Mansfield of Buchanan, Mr. Erwin, of Callaway, Judge Kendall of Audrain and Mr. Brassfield of Putnam was appointed to receive suggestions from the delegates and citizens in regard to a change in the road laws of the State, who will duly consider the same and report later to the Convention, when the necessary steps will be taken to have a bill drafted and presented to our law-makers for adoption.

Has Arrived From New York.
Miss Louisa von Flotow, who has been engaged to teach at Hardin College the coming scholastic term, arrived from New York last night. Miss von Flotow was prima donna in the celebrated Castle Garden Concerts, New York City, and has sung with fine success in Milan, Rome, Berlin, Leipzig and Frankfurt. She is a niece of the distinguished composer of "Martha," the pleasing opera of world-wide fame.

"Wives, obey your husbands," comes from the Bible, but Eve did not obey Adam; Hagar had her way with Abraham; Rebekah did pretty much as she pleased, and fooled her husband when she brought Jacob to the front as against Esau, and throughout the Bible women pretty generally had their own way, just as they do now.

The Kansas City Star says: Mrs. Mary Luckie, who died at Mexico a few days ago at the age of 92, never knew any failure of eyesight and could read print with the naked eye at 92 years as readily as at 20.

Mrs. Rebecca Johnston, of Pearl, Ill., is the guest of T. M. Huskell's family.

Mrs. G. B. Macfarlane is stopping at The Elms House, Excelsior Springs.

Artie Dye, of Vandalia, and Miss Annie Gentle, of Fairer, were recently married in St. Louis.

The old soldiers of the Mexican war will hold their reunion at Keyesville, Mo., on the 16th of September next.

B. F. Swaggard, Sweet Springs, Mo., has concluded to sell his entire collection of trotting stock at auction September 3.

W. R. Beck is at Hot Springs, Ark., for his health. He writes that he will be home in three weeks greatly improved in health.

Dr. J. W. Crowlson, of Eolia, Pike county, well known to several persons in this city, has removed to Jaynesville, Wis., where he will practice his profession.

The St. Louis Chronicle says: Moberly has just finished a week's very successful fair and only deplores that it has no kite-shaped track like Mexico and Sedalia.

The Chillicothe Constitution says the following gentlemen from Audrain are in attendance at the Road Convention: Judge S. E. Kendall, J. S. Snidow, J. A. Potts, C. D. Rodgers and J. R. Shell.

Mrs. Frank Smith, of Boone county, was in Mexico to-day while on her way home from Laddonia, where she has been visiting. Mrs. McWilliams joined her here and accompanied her home.

Those who attended the picnic at Perry Thursday say the crowd apparently was as large as that which attended the Mexico Fair on Thursday. It was truly a big picnic and all who attended report a great time.

There are four nominees for Governor of Missouri, namely: Wm. J. Stone, of Vernon (Dem.), Wm. Warner, of Jackson (Rep.), Everett Leonard, of Saline (People's), and John Sobieski, of Newton (Prohibition).

Mrs. T. J. Kelso and little daughter, Dannie, are sojourning at Camp Point, Illinois. Little Miss Dannie, it will be remembered, carried off the LEDGER's prize at the Mexico Fair for the pret